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CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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Consumption of Sugar and Pulses
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the production and consumption of sugar in the country during each of the last three years along with the quantum of sugar imported during the said period;
(b) whether the Consumption of sugar and pulses has been increasing in the country/year-by-year;
(c) if so, the annual percentage of demand of these commodities during the last decade; and
(d) the quantum of the said commodities required from the year 2016-2017 and the current year for Consumption?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)
(a): The details of production, consumption and import of sugar during the last three sugar seasons are given below:-

Sugar Season	Production (in Lac Tons)	Consumption (in Lac Tons)	Import* (in Lac Tons)
2013-14	245.54	243.00	10.79
2014-15	284.63	256.00	12.82
2015-16	251.21	248.00	19.06

* Sugar mainly imported for re-export under Advance Authorisation Scheme (AAS), not for domestic consumption.
(b): No, Madam. During the last decade, there have been years where the demand/consumption of sugar and pulses has been lower than the preceding year.
(c): Does not arise.
(d): For the current sugar season 2016-17, the demand/consumption of sugar in the country is estimated to be about 255 Lac Tons. The consumption of pulses for the year 2016-17 is estimated to be 220 Lac Tons.
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